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AMENDMENT AFTER DECISION ON APPEAL

SIR:

This Amendment is submitted pursuant to MPEP 1214.07, following the Board of Appeals' decision mailed on March 27, 2003 affirming the Examiner's final rejection of claims 13, 14 and 24. Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments to claims 16, 19, 20, 21 and 23, which amendments merely rewrite these claims in independent form to incorporate the limitations of base claim 13 (as amended in the Amendment mailed on December 7, 2000 to overcome the indefiniteness rejection of claim 13). In addition, Applicants are canceling herewith claims 13, 14 and 24, the final rejection of which claims was affirmed by the Board of Appeals. During the telephone conference held between Applicants' attorney, Jong H. Lee (Reg. No. 36,197), and



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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application is an Amendment After Decision On Appeal.

Please charge the fee of \$252.00 for three additional independent claims which was not previously paid for or any additional fees, or credit overpayments, associated with this paper to Deposit Account 11-0600.

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Respectfully submitted,

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